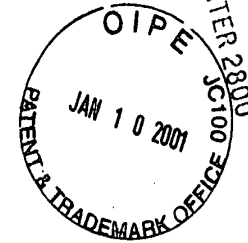


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Re: Application of ALMANTAS GALVANAUSKAS, MARTIN FEJER, DONALD J. HARTER and MARK ARBORE
ULTRASHORT-PULSE SOURCE WITH CONTROLLABLE WAVELENGTH OUTPUT
Our Ref: A7139

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of pending prior Application No. 09/042,666 filed on March 17, 1998 of ALMANTAS GALVANAUSKAS, MARTIN FEJER, DONALD J. HARTER and MARK ARBORE entitled ULTRASHORT-PULSE SOURCE WITH CONTROLLABLE WAVELENGTH OUTPUT.

This application is being filed under 37 CFR § 1.53(d). The prior application, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. It is understood that secrecy under 35 USC § 122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file jacket, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file jacket, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file jacket.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2874

The power of attorney appears in the original papers of the prior application.

There is no claim to priority.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	28 - 20	=	8	x	\$18.00	=	\$144.00
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A Petition and payment for an extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith in Application No. 09/042,666. The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard C. Turner', is written over a horizontal line.

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